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Cal/EPA

Mandatory Electronic Reporting Legislation Passes

Assembly Bill 2286 requiring Unified Program electronic reporting has been passed and it requires the electronic submittal of Unified Program data by 2013. The regulated community will be able to submit data directly to their local CUPAs and Participating Agencies (UPA). Alternatively, the regulated community will be able to exchange data with Cal/EPA with Cal/EPA serving as a virtual data warehouse. Cal/EPA will in turn exchange specific data with US EPA and will create a public access website that will display information mandated to be provided to the public.

The bill provides a funding mechanism for the transition to e-reporting. Each regulated business will be required to pay up to \$25 per year for three years via the Unified Program service charge process. This will result in a total of approximately \$10 million. Of this amount, about \$2 million will remain with Cal/EPA for the development and ongoing maintenance and support of the state's data submission portal and data exchange system. The remaining approximately \$8 million will be distributed to or used directly to support the UPAs. A mechanism of fund allocation and distribution is currently being developed. These funds or services contracted by Cal/EPA will be available to UPAs to fund various aspects of the transition to e-reporting.

For more information, look for a series of bulletins coming over the next several months, continue to follow in the Newsletter or contact Jim Bohon at jbohon@calepa.ca.gov or Corey Vincent at cupa@srcity.org.

Changes to the 2008 and 2009 Evaluation Schedule

The delay in the state budget caused the rescheduling of several CUPA evaluations.

- Mendocino County was rescheduled from September 23 and September 24, 2008 to October 8 and October 9, 2008.
- San Benito County has been rescheduled from September 10 and September 11, 2008 to November 4 and November 5, 2008

- El Dorado County has been rescheduled from November 12 and November 13, 2008 to January 7 and January 8, 2009.
- Shasta County has been rescheduled from November 4 and November 5, 2008 to February 10 and February 11, 2009
- Humboldt County has been rescheduled from September 16 and September 17, 2008 to April 1 and April 2, 2009

Department of Toxic Substances Control

2008 Verification Questionnaire and Manifest Fees Assessment

As reported in the June 2008 Unified Program newsletter, DTSC delayed mailing the 2008 Verification Questionnaire (VQ) and Manifest Fees Assessment. We're happy to report that the VQ and Manifest Fees Assessment will be mailed on October 27, 2008 to approximately 130,000 permanent and temporary EPA ID number holders.

DTSC will have dedicated telephone lines and staff to answer calls regarding the verification questionnaire and manifest assessment process. Please refer verification and manifest assessment callers to (877) 454-4012 (toll-free) when calling from within California, and (916) 255-4439 when calling from outside California. The telephone lines will be extremely busy for several weeks after the mailing.

Frequently Asked Questions about the Verification Questionnaire and Manifest Fees Assessment are available at www.dtsc.ca.gov under **Information for Business, ID Numbers and Manifests** and click on the link for **California ID Number page**.

Intermediate Hazardous Waste Inspector Training

This is an Intermediate level class for inspectors to brush upon Tiered Permitting. Specific topics include waste eligibility, treatment technologies and their applicability, tier determination, treatment permit exemptions (including the various recycling and reuse exemptions and their interaction with tiered permit regulations), unit determination, financial assurance, engineering certifications, and recordkeeping specific to Tiered Permitting. Generator requirements as they relate to Tiered Permitting inspections will be discussed. A brief overview of the recently finalized cyanide treatment PBR requirements and restrictions will also be covered. Attendees should be knowledgeable in basic hazardous waste determination and overall generator standards.

Date and Time: October 14, 2008, 9:00 A.M. to 2 P.M

Location:

Napa County Administration Building

Human Resources Training Room, Suite 103 (Next to the Env. Mgt. Office)

Napa, CA 94559

Please contact Darell W. Choate at dchoate@co.napa.ca.us or 707-253-4471 to register for this class.

Registration will be limited to 25 participants.

Please contact Asha Arora at (510) 540-3874 if you have additional questions.

State Water Resources Control Board

Guidance Letter for Dealing with the CARB EVR Deadline

A guidance letter was released in October for UST facilities storing gasoline relating to CARB's EVR April 1st, 2009 deadline. Facilities who do not upgrade by the April deadline may be issued Notices of Violation by the Local Air Districts or tagged out-of-order. To stay compliant with the State Water Board's laws and requirements, these facilities must either be properly temporarily closed or must ensure that the UST continues to comply with all applicable requirements (i.e., permits, inspections, monitoring, and testing) that were in place before the dispensing of gasoline ceased.

UST Program Contact: Ms. Donielle Jackson (dljackson@waterboards.ca.gov; 916-341-5863).

Update to Matrix of Pipe Monitoring Applications

On September 8, 2008, the State Water Board updated the *Matrix of Pipe Monitoring Applications (nonmetallic and Metallic) for Gravity Flow, Vacuum, Pressure, and Interstitial Liquid Level Monitoring*. The update to the matrix reflects the insertion of Footnote 6 which is based on documentation from UL (Storage Tank and Pipe FAQ Dated November 15, 2007) that clarifies the Concentrated (CT) Fuels rating covers E85. Therefore, only pipe marked with CT may be used for storage of E85.

UST Program Contact: Ms. Laura Fisher-Chaddock (lfchaddock@waterboards.ca.gov; 916-341-5870).

Report 6 and Red Tag Reporting

Beginning with the September 1, 2008 submittal, CUPAs will be reporting Report 6 and Red Tag data on a semi-annual basis using revised forms contained in the Title 27 regulations, effective January 18, 2008. The revised forms and instructions are attached for your information. As in the past, each CUPA will receive a Report 6 form pre-populated with data from the previous reporting period. We will send out the pre-populated forms in early July. They are due back with January-June 2008 data by September 1, so that we can report back to USEPA by October 2008.

We have simplified the Report 6 form in several ways:

- 1) Replace the previous Column B that showed net changes with a new Column B that shows number of new facilities or systems and add a Column C to show number of closed facilities or systems;
- 2) Delete reporting of UST systems with release detection and UST systems with release prevention, which were 1998 upgrade requirements;
- 3) Revise significant operational compliance reporting to create 4 categories that do not overlap: facilities in compliance with release detection only; facilities in compliance with release prevention only; facilities in compliance with both release detection and release prevention; and facilities with violations of both release detection and release prevention.

The Red Tag data requirements were changed to add the facility owner's name and facility operator's name to the form. Red Tag data are submitted as side 2 of the Report 6 form. A place was added to the bottom of the Report 6 form to be checked if no Red Tags were issued during the reporting period. The Red Tag form was redesigned to make it easier to enter the required information.

UST Program Contact: Mr. Terry Snyder (tsnyder@waterboards.ca.gov; 916-341-5385).

Governor's Office of Emergency Services

Fact Sheets

OES developed mixture facts sheets to determine threshold quantities for both the Business Plan and CalARP program. The fact sheets are located on OES' website

at: <http://www.oes.ca.gov/WebPage/oeswebsite.nsf/Content/4B7E6B288B99911B8825742F005ACC24?OpenDocument>

Office of the State Fire Marshal

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